Dear Karen E. Mouristen:

As a concerned citizen of not only Ohio, but of The United States of America and the world, I implore you to terminate the irresponsible sale of the parcels of the Wayne National Forest. It is imperative that the Wayne National Forest be preserved in its natural, unindustrialized state as its trees act as a buffer against climate change, soil erosion and are a haven for the local and migratory wildlife.

The adverse effects of fracking will be felt by local communities and wildlife surrounding and inside Wayne National Forest. Local watersheds would be adversely affected by deforestation and fracking. These watersheds provide water to local suppliers. Deforestation would rid the watershed of natural filtration system—trees—which filter out pollutants. Additionally, the deforestation and fracking process will create soil instability, which can lead to mudslides, and have negative impacts on the forest and local communities, roads, etc. This, compounded by existing endangered species, only adds to the irresponsibility of the attempt to sell these parcels of land.

Fracking will destroy the Wayne National Forest. The repercussions will be felt around the world as its emissions—carbon and methane—will contribute to the continuing warming of our planet. This warming will displace millions of people in the coming century, which will contribute and exponentially expand the present refugee crisis. Moreover, the warming of the planet will harm the health of the born and unborn. Warming will lead to more epidemics akin to the Zika virus, which is only allowed to perpetuate into the United States because of a warming planet. Furthermore, the safety of communities is at risk as unpredictable, severe storms have and will continue to occur across the United States and the world. We must do our part to help curtail the effects of climate change. This starts with conservation of the natural world—forests, lakes, streams, national parks, etc.—and leaving oil in the ground.

Opposition to fracking is not a political or business stance, but a humanitarian and moral obligation. It is a fact that fracking and deforestation are major contributors to the greatest contemporary human rights calamity. There can be no opinion on a fact. Consequently, we must to do our part to protect the Wayne National Forest from the Machiavellian hands of the oil industry. As a concerned citizen of not only Ohio, but of The United States of America and the world, I implore you to terminate the sale of the parcels listed below.

Sincerely,

Samuel Tegge

5529 Vogel Rd

Cincinnati, Ohio, 45239

ES-003-12/2016 OHES 058185 ACQ

Lee Township, Monroe County Section 8, SENW, S2SWNE. 60 acres

ES-004-12/2015 OHES 058186 ACQ

Jackson Township, Monroe County Section 14, NESE, Pt. SESE 47.00 acres

ES-005-12/2016 OHES 058187 ACQ

Jackson Township, Monroe County Section 19, W2SE
79.15 acres

ES-006-12/2016 OHES 058188 ACQ

Jackson Township, Monroe County Section 20, S3/4 NESW 30.03 acres

ES-007-12/2016 OHES 058189 ACQ

Jackson Township, Monroe County Section 25 94.72 acres

ES-008-12/2016 OHES 058190 ACQ

Jackson Township, Monroe County Section 26, NESW, Pt. NWSW 78.25 acres

ES-009-12/2016 OHES 058191 ACQ

Jackson Township, Monroe County Section 27, SENW **40.00 acres**

ES-010-12/2016 OHES 058192 ACQ

Jackson Township, Monroe County

Section 31, NESE

38.96 acres

ES-011-12/2016 OHES 058193 ACQ

Jackson Township, Monroe County Sec. 31, SESE **38.96 acres**

ES-012-12/2016 OHES 058194 ACQ

Jackson Township, Monroe County Sec. 32, Pt. W2SW **64.30 acres**

ES-013-12/2016 OHES 058195 ACQ

Perry Township, Monroe County Sec. 33, NESW **40.13 acres**

ES-014-12/2016 OHES 058196 ACQ

Perry Township, Monroe County Sec. 34, Pt. SENE **15.12 acres**

ES-015-12/2016 OHES 058197 ACQ

Perry Township, Monroe County Sec. 34, Pt. NENW **30.23acres**

ES-016-12/2016 OHES 058198 ACQ

Perry Township, Monroe County Sec. 34, Pt. NWNW **22.14 acres**

ES-017-12/2016 OHES 058199 ACQ

Perry Township, Monroe County Sec. 35, Pt. SENSWSWE **30.64 acres**

ES-018-12/2016 OHES 058200 ACQ

Perry Township, Monroe County Sec. 35, Pt. W2SWSW **0.86 acres**

ES-019-12/2016 OHES 058201 ACQ

Jackson Township, Monroe County

Sec. 19, Pt. SW, Pt. NW

73.25 acres

ES-020-12/2016 OHES 058202 ACQ

Jackson Township, Monroe County Sec. 15, Pt. SWNE **2.53 acres**

ES-021-12/2016 OHES 058203 ACQ

Jackson Township, Monroe County Sec. 20, NENE **40.08 acres**

ES-022-12/2016 OHES 058204 ACQ

Jackson Township, Monroe County Sec. 20, NENW **40.00 acres**

ES-023-12/2016 OHES 058205 ACQ

Jackson Township, Monroe County Sec. 20, NWNE **40.00 acres**

ES-024-12/2016 OHES 058206 ACQ

Jackson Township, Monroe County Sec. 21, S2SE, E2SW 157.44 acres

ES-025-12/2016 OHES 058207 ACQ

Perry Township, Monroe County Sec. 34, NESESE **10.16 acres**

ES-026-12/2016 OHES 058208 ACQ

Jackson Township, Monroe County Sec. 30, SESE 39.98 acres

ES-027-12/2016 OHES 058209 ACQ

Jackson Township, Monroe County Sec. 30, Pt. N2SE **64.72 acres**

ES-028-12/2016 OHES 058210 ACQ

Jackson Township, Monroe County

Sec. 36, SESW, Pt. W2SW

39.65 acres

ES-029-12/2016 OHES 058211 ACQ

Jackson Township, Monroe County Sec. 36, NENE **40.22 acres**

ES-030-12/2016 OHES 058212 ACQ

Perry Township, Monroe County Sec. 3, Pt. N2SE **28.00 acres**

ES-031-12/2016 OHES 058213 ACQ

Perry Township, Monroe County Sec. 6, Pt. NE **56.00 acres**

ES-032-12/2016 OHES 058214 ACQ

Green Township, Monroe County Sec. 1, SWSW, Sec. 7, N2SE, SESE 158.62 acres

ES-033-12/2016 OHES 058215 ACQ

Washington Township, Monroe County Sec. 18 Pt. W2NE, Pt. NW **58.14 acres**

ES-034-12/2016 OHES 058216 ACQ

Wayne Township, Monroe County Sec. 3, NWNW **40.24 acres**

ES-035-12/2016 OHES 058217 ACQ

Liberty Township, Monroe County Sec. 29, Pt. S2SESE 1.17 acres

ES-030-12/2016 OHES 058212 ACQ

Perry Township, Monroe County Sec. 3, Pt. N2SE **28.00 acres**

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